GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Service – Marketing Department – Departmental Proceedings against Smt. B.V.Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol - Under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charges framed – Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE AND CO-OPERATION(VIG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 978 **Dated: 10-11-2025**
Read:-

From the DoAM., e-file.No.AGC05-16021/27/2025, Dated:26.09.2025.

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O R D E R:-

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Smt. B.V. Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol in accordance with the procedure laid down in Under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Article of Charge (Annexure – I & II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charge is proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure –III & IV).

3. Smt. B.V. Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol is directed to submit within 15 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defense.

4. Smt. B.V. Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol is further informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges that are not admitted. She should, therefore, specifically admit or deny the article of charge.

5. Smt. B.V. Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol is further informed that if she does not submit her written statement of defense on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be proceeded based on the material available.

6. The attention of Smt. B.V. Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to hear upon any superior authority to further her interest in respect of matters pertaining to her service under the Government. If any representation is received on her behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Smt. B.V. Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol is aware of such representation and that it has been made at her instance and action will be taken against her for violation of Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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7. The receipt of the charge memo may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR
EX-OFFICIO SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. B.V.Jhansi Rani,
the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as
DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol.
(Through : The Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur)

Copy to:-
The Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
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ANNEXURE.I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. B.V. JHANSI RANI, THE THEN ADM, E.G. DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS DDM OD AS SELECTION GRADE SECRETARY, AMC, PALAKOL.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE

That Smt. B.V. Jhansi Rani, the then ADM, E.G. District and presently working as DDM OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Palakol has committed irregularities duly issued price certificate during the year 2011-13 to M/s. Krishna Emporium, Kakinada with higher price for Green gram dal than the actual price of Rythu Bazar / market price register without proper verification in violation of DPC guidelines thereby facilitated the excess payment of bills to a tune of Rs.85,56,544/- to the suppliers.

By her above mentioned acts, she has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLES OF FRAMED AGAINST SMT. B.V. JHANSI RANI, THE THEN ADM, E.G. DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS DDM OD AS SELECTION GRADE SECRETARY, AMC, PALAKOL ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Imputation to Charge:

Basing on the report of V&E Department, it is noticed that in the year 2011-12 to 2015-16, the DPC has approved the following rates for the purchase of Green Gram and other food items for the distribution to Anganwadi centers.

Sl. No.	Year	Food Item	Rate approved	Reference enclosed
1	For the month of April, 2011	Green Gram	2% less on Rythu bazaar rate	File No. 169/A2/2008, Dt:11.04.2011.
2	2011-12	Green Gram	4% less on Rythu bazaar rate	File No. 169/A2/2008, Dt:13.05.2011 by the then I/c. Joint Collector.

On verification at O/o. Assistant Director of Marketing, Kakinada, it came to light that the market price certificate was issued by the then Assistant Director of Marketing, East Godavari District and SMA, O/o. ADM, East Godavari District and the prices noted in the certificate are not tallying with the Market Price Register maintained at their office.

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Further, the price mentioned in the certificate is not having any supporting information obtained from the Market on the date of issue of the certificate. The V&E officials obtained the market prices of Green gram dal that were recorded in the Market Price Register of O/o. AD, Marketing and also at Rythu Bazaar, Kakinada and compared. It is noticed that the retail prices of Green gram dal and Rythu Bazar rates are nearly matching, but the prices issued to the supplier by the officials of O/o. AD, Marketing are exorbitantly higher. The details are as follows:

Sl. No.	Date	Price mentioned in the certificate (Rs. Per Kg)	Market Price Register rate for retail (Rs. Per Kg)	Rythu Bazaar rate (Rs. Per Kg)
1	08.02.2011	78	63	NA
2	15.04.2011	74	65	70
3	02.05.2011	78	72	70
4	18.06.2011	78	62	74
5	04.07.2011	73	62	70
6	20.08.2011	74	62	66
7	20.09.2011	74	64	70
8	01.10.2011	76	68	66
9	28.12.2011	74	67	66
10	10.02.2012	72	64	64

Comparison of wholesale as collected from the traders during the enquiry:-

During the enquiry of the V&E officials, the V&E officials have also collected the wholesale prices of Green gram chaya dal that prevailed during 2011-12 from wholesale dealers of the district. As per the information furnished by the wholesale traders of pulses, viz. Sri Rajyalakshmi Traders, Shop No. B-7-8, S.V.G. Market, Rajamahendravaram; Vikram Traders, D.No.B/B 20-21, Rajamahendravaram and Sri Dhanalakshmi Oil & General Merchant, D.No. 27-9-29, Kakinada. The month wise wholesale prices of Green gram dal are as follows:

Sl. No.	Month	Price given by Sri Rajyalakshmi Traders, Rjy. (Rs/Kg)	Price given by Vikram Traders, Rjy. (Rs/Kg)	Price given by Sri Dhanalakshmi Oil & General merchant, Kkd (Rs/Kg)
1	April 2011	65.60-65.80	66.00-67.00	65.80
2	May 2011	62.00-62.30	62.00-63.00	62.30
3	June 2011	62.00-62.30	62.00-63.00	62.30
4	July 2011	62.00-62.30	62.00-63.00	62.30
5	August 2011	60.00-60.30	60.00-61.00	60.30
6	September 2011	62.00-62.30	62.00-63.00	62.30
7	October 2011	60.00-60.30	60.00-61.00	60.30
8	November 2011	60.00-60.30	60.00-61.00	60.30
9	December 2011	58.00-58.30	60.00-61.00	58.30
10	January 2012	58.00-58.30	59.00-60.00	58.30
11	February 2012	58.00-58.30	58.00-59.00	58.30
12	March 2012	56.00-56.30	56.00-57.00	56.30

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As per the above table, the whole sale prices of Green gram dal is between Rs.56.00 to Rs.67.00 per Kg during the year 2011-12. But, the payments released by the concerned PD and CDPOs for the same period were between Rs.72 to Rs.78 per Kg as per the certificates of AD, Marketing which were much higher than wholesale prices and resulted in drain of Government funds.

The V&E officials verified the compliance of DPC guidelines for the year 2011-12 in the purchase of green gram dal. It was stipulated in the DPC, that the Green gram dal has to be purchased @4% less than that of the rate of the Rythu Bazaar for that particular month. Accordingly the above purchases have been compared with the Rythu Bazar rates for the year 2011-12 and also the subsequent financial year in view of the payments made during 2012-13 for certain purchases made during 2011-12. It is noticed that there are excess payments to an extent of Rs.85,56,544/- in violation of DPC guidelines. The details are as follows:

Sl. No.	**Name of the Supplier**	**Year of payment**	**Quantity purchase (Kg.)**	**Amount to be paid as per DPC guidelines (in Rs.)**	**Amount paid to the suppliers (in Rs.)**	**Excess amount paid (in Rs.)**
1	KCMACC Stores, Kakinada	2011-12	102450	7247982	7279930	31948
2	Krishna Emporium, Kakinada	2011-12	517800	33910804	36991076	3080272
		2012-13	357800	23614800	23614800	0
3	Sri Venkata Durga Traders, Rajahmahendravram	2011-12	218700	14183828	15602920	1419092
		2012-13	184900	10524984	10564296	39312
4	East Godavari DCMS, Kakinada	2011-12	521509	366631660	37039348	3407688
		2012-13	536903	33412872	33991104	578232
Total		2011-12	1360456	88974274	96913274	7939000
		2012-13	1079603	67552656	68170200	617544
						85,56,544

Further, the V&E Officials have informed that made excess payments based on price certificate submitted by the suppliers i.e., M/s. Krishna Emporium, Kakinada causing drain of Govt. funds to a tune of Rs.85,56,544/-. The Assistant Director of Marketing, E.G. District and the Senior Marketing Assistant, O/o. ADM, Kakinada issued price certificate to M/s. Krishna Emporium, Kakinada with higher price for Green gram dal than the actual price of Rythu Bazar / market price register irregularly without proper verification.

By the above mentioned acts, she has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of the public servant and contravened Rule 3 of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and rendered herself liable for disciplinary action. Hence the Charge.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. B.V. JHANSI RANI, THE THEN ADM, E.G. DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS DDM OD AS SELECTION GRADE SECRETARY, AMC, PALAKOL.

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM BY THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SMT. B.V. JHANSI RANI, THE THEN ADM, E.G. DISTRICT AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS DDM OD AS SELECTION GRADE SECRETARY, AMC, PALAKOL ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Investigation Officers of Vigilance & Enforcement Department.

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